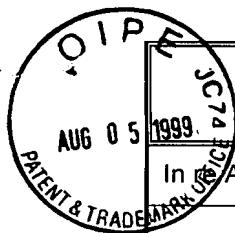


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Docket No.

W5020.0128/P128

In Application of: Michael Waters

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of February 5, 1999 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows:

- One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

The requested extension is as follows:

- Large entity

- Small entity

Verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. 1.27

is enclosed.

has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$870.00 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Charge the amount of the fee to Deposit Account No. 04-1073. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-1073.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 04-1073. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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